**Providing safe drinking water to the people**

† 3700. SHRI DATTA MEGHE: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of villages in the country where Government are going to provide safe drinking water during the year 2005;

(b) the steps takenby Government to provide safe drinking water to the people in these villages; and

(c) the extent of money allocated to each State Government for this purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) to (c) Rural Drinking Water is a State subject. The State Governments are responsible for providing drinking water facilities to rural habitations. The Government of India, however, provides financial assistance to the States to supplement their efforts in this direction under a Centrally sponsored scheme, namely Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP). During the year 2005-06, an amount of Rs. 4050.00 crore has been allocated for ARWSP. The allocation under ARWSP is bifurcated under different components and released to the States by giving weightage for various parameters as per the following criterion—

| Parameter | Weightage in Percentage |
|---|---|
| (a) Rural Population | 40 |
| (b) States under DDP, DPAP, HADP & Special category hill States in terms of rural areas | 35 |
| (c) Not Covered/Partially Covered Villages (at 2:1 ratio) | 15 |
| (d) Quality affected villages | 10 |
| TOTAL | 100 |

In addition to 13,56,031 fully covered and 60,884 partially covered habitations, about 3500 not covered habitations are targeted to be covered with safe drinking water supply during 2005-06.

**Road connectivity to villages**

† 3701. SHRI NAND KISHORE YADAV: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of villages targeted to be connected with the roads upto

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the Tenth Five Year Plan together with the rule followed relating to the population;

(b) whether this target has been achieved; the State-wise targets fixed alongwith the State-wise details of targets achieved; and

(c) the reasons for not-achieving the target in some States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) and (b) The Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) launched in December 2000 envisages to provide connectivity to all Unconnected Habitations in the rural areas of the country with a population of more than 500 persons, through good All-weather roads, by the end of the Tenth Plan period. In respect
of the Hill States (North-East, Sikkim, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir,
Uttaranchal), Desert areas and Tribal (Schedule-V) areas, the objective is to connect Habitations with a population of 250 persons and above.

The State-wise number of Habitations to be covered and the number of Habitations being covered by road works cleared by the Ministry of Rural Development are given in the Statement (See below).

(c) Though the programme goal was to connect the eligible Habitations by the end of the Tenth Plan period, targets are determined on the basis of annual budgetary allocations.

***Statement***

*Coverage of Unconnected Habitations under the PMGSY*

| s. No. | State | Total No. of Habitations to be covered | Total No. of Habitations being covered |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Andhra Pradesh | 980 | 913 |
| 2. | Arunachal Pradesh | 415 | 84 |
| 3. | Assam | 13144 | 2232 |
| 4. | Bihar | 17920 | 1793 |
| 5. | Chhattisgarh | 12561 | 2230 |
| 6. | Goa | 55 | 20 |
| 7. | Gujarat | 4253 | 1001 |
| 8. | Haryana | 2 | 0 |
| 9. | Himachal Pradesh | 3494 | 1034 |
| 10. | Jammu & Kashmir | 2792 | 300 |
| 11. | Jharkhand | 10696 | 1341 |
| 12. | Karnataka | 876 | 322 |
| 13. | Kerala | 438 | 393 |
| 14. | Madhya Pradesh | 18492 | 2853 |
| 15. | Maharashtra | 1751 | 888 |

| Sl. No | States | Total No. of Habitations to be covered | Total No. of Habitations being covered |
|---|---|---|---|
| 16. | Manipur | 598 | 0 |
| 17. | Meghalaya | 756 | 98 |
| 18. | Mizoram | 285 | 71 |
| 19. | Nagaland | 94 | 42 |
| 20. | Orissa | 14393 | 2668 |
| 21. | Punjab | 536 | 418 |
| 22. | Rajasthan | 11015 | 3726 |
| 23. | Sikkim | 318 | 47 |
| 24. | Tamil Nadu | 2640 | 1813 |
| 25. | Tripura | 2091 | 260 |
| 26. | Uttar Pradesh | 24284 | 6347 |
| 27. | Uttaranchal | 2605 | 211 |
| 28. | West Bengal | 25288 | 2717 |
| | TOTAL: | 172772 | 33822 |

**Rural Employment Scheme**

† 3702. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR:
SHRI SURENDRALATH:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of employment opportunities created in various States under the Prime Minister Rural Employment Scheme during the last three years;

(b) the amount allocated and released under the scheme to Orissa and Himachal Pradesh, separately during the last three years; and

(c) the progress and the latest position of the scheme in both of these States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) The Ministry of
Rural Development do not implement the Prime Minister Rural Employment Scheme.

(b) and (c) Questions do not arise.

**Construction of roads in H.P.**

3703. SHRI SURESH BHARDWAJ: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the amount spent for construction of village roads under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana upto 28th February, 2005 in each State;

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